



**RULES/AGENCY RULES COMMITTEE**

Meeting Report  
February 16, 2005

**PRESENT:** Chair Chavez, Members Campos and Chirco  
Councilmember Ken Yeager attended as the alternate member.

**ABSENT:** Member Williams (excused)

**STAFF:** City Attorney Richard Doyle, City Clerk Lee Price, Lydia Tolles, Mayor's Budget and Policy Analyst, Assistant City Manager Mark Linder and Redevelopment Agency Liaison Gary Miskimon

Chair Chavez called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

**A. Redevelopment Agency**

- 1. Review of the March 1, 2005 Draft Agenda**  
The Committee recommended approval of the March 1, 2005 Redevelopment Agency agenda.
- 2. Add New Items to February 22, 2005 Agenda**  
NO ITEMS. MEETING CANCELLED.
- 3. Staff Reports Outstanding**  
NO ITEMS. MEETING CANCELLED.

**B. City Council**

- 1. Review of the March 1, 2005 Draft Agenda**  
The Committee recommended approval of the March 1, 2005 City Council Agenda with the following additions:

- a. Presentation of a proclamation declaring the City of San José as a Colon Cancer Free Zone (LeZotte/Yeager)
  - b. Presentation of a commendation to Peter Giles for his 18 years of service as President and CEO of The Tech Museum of Innovation (Cortese)
  - c. Approval of Council Member Williams' travel request to Washington, DC, March 6-8, 2005, to attend the American Public Transportation Agency Conference (Williams)
  - d. Acceptance of the Office of the City Auditor's *Report of Activities and Findings for the Period December 16 through January 13, 2004*. (City Auditor)
  - e. Adoption of a resolution amending the Regulations and Procedures for the San José Elections Commission Investigations and Hearings (City Clerk/City Attorney's Office)
2. **Add New Items to February 22, 2005 Agenda**  
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  3. **Staff Reports Outstanding**  
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**C. Legislative Update**

1. **State**  
There were none.
2. **Federal**  
Betsy Shotwell, Director of Intergovernmental Relations, provided an oral preview of the Proposed Federal Budget. She briefly summarized potential impacts to cities, noting in particular, cuts anticipated to certain grant programs. Policy proposals and operational changes to housing, community development, public safety and economic development are expected. In the Transportation proposal, the Amtrak subsidy would be eliminated. The most dramatic policy reforms include restructuring in Housing, which moves Community Block Grants and Economic Development activities from HUD into the Commerce Department. Lesyle Corsiglia responded to questions about CDGB and other Housing Program cuts. Staff will return with a memorandum in greater detail.

**D. Meeting Schedules**

There were none.

**E. Public Record**

None filed.

**F. Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees**

Documents Filed: Memoranda from City Clerk Lee Price dated February 11, 2005, regarding Appointments to Airport Noise Advisory Committee; and from Vice Mayor Chavez and Councilmember Ken Yeager dated February 15, 2005, regarding the Airport Noise Advisory Committee Appointments.

Discussion/Action: The Committee recommended the appointment of Ricardo Lewis Giardino, Citizen Representative and Michael Dennis O'Kane, Business Representative.

**G. Rules Committee Reviews, Recommendations and Approvals**

There were none.

**H. Oral Communications**

Bill Chew asked the Committee to consider a way to provide candidates for elective office the opportunity to communicate with constituents via a public forum held in council chambers and to provide a web page for candidates.

**I. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

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Cindy Chavez, Chair  
Rules/Agency Rules Committee